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#### **A. List of Restoration Activities**

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This project proposes to restore land within the Fort Sage OHV SRMA where unauthorized motor vehicle use has damaged an area off limits to OHV recreation. The area has multiple illegal rock/hill climbs directly adjacent to a designated OHV route.

Treatments will include a continuation of posts and cable barricading along the existing trail/route to protect the unauthorized rock/hill climb area. The barricade will be constructed using wood posts, cable, large rocks, planting and seeding of native vegetation and vertical mulching as needed to restore and return the area to its original surrounding condition. The current use of a barricade has been successful in the past.

The BLM Eagle Lake Field Office staff will also provide outreach to the public and interested groups and install interpretative, regulatory and educational signing. The proposed action is in conformance with the Eagle Lake Resource Management Plan (RMP), approved in April 2008 Record of Decision (ROD). The RMP and ROD can be found at [http://www.BLM.gov/ca/st/en/to/Eagle\\_Lake.html](http://www.BLM.gov/ca/st/en/to/Eagle_Lake.html).

##### **List of Restoration Activities:**

The BLM Law Enforcement Officer (LEO), Seasonal Maintenance worker, Outdoor Recreation Planner (ORP), and Maintenance worker will enforce and monitor the restored area twice a week and record findings.

Purchase a GPS unit (Trimble) and TerraSync software. The ORP will prepare necessary documents, supervise project staff, keep detailed records, produce maps using the purchased GPS unit, produce GPS/GIS data and records of the restoration area, provide outreach to the public, work with local stakeholders, and provide labor.

The Maintenance worker will coordinate, plan, schedule, administer, order equipment such as signs, educate the public through regular contacts and provide labor throughout the project.

The BLM Force Account staff will provide labor such as placement rocks and construction of physical barriers.

The Seasonal Maintenance worker will install and maintain signs, post maps and interpretative information, provide public outreach on the ground, patrol the areas and provide labor.

The BLM Eagle Lake Field office Archaeologist, Botanist and Biologist will plan, direct, consult, produce necessary reports and findings, evaluate, identify and provide mitigation of any resources affected by the project.

Volunteers will be utilized throughout the project.

#### **B. How the Proposed Project Relates to OHV Recreation**

The Fort Sage OHV SRMA restoration project will ensure the area is available and open for multiples uses, including OHV use for future generations while ensuring that soil, wildlife habitat, plant communities and cultural resources are protected. The project will ultimately help resolve user conflicts and allow for essential user education opportunities to the general public and user groups. The project is also in conformance with the Eagle Lake RMP, Travel Management Plan, which limits Fort Sage OHV use to designated routes and trails. In addition, the management of designated routes and trails provides both opportunities for motorized recreation, remote cross country travel, and access to distant locations for non-motorized activities such as hunting, horseback riding, hiking and camping.

**C. Size of Project Site**

Restoration Site: Located within Fort Sage within the Land of David parking area. The illegal rock/hill climb area is adjacent to Trail 1 and near the intersection of Trail 1-5 (Township 26N, Range 17E, and Section 20). The proposed project will restore 5 acres of land currently not available to OHV use.

**D. Monitoring and Methodology**

The BLM Eagle Lake staff is dedicated to the success of this project. Therefore, the BLM staff will use photo point monitoring before, during and after the first year of the project. The Eagle Lake Field Office Botanist, Biologist and Archeologist will monitor the area and report and record findings. In addition, a report log will be maintained throughout the project performance period and will be continued to provide both historical and baseline data for the use and protection of resources. Additional photos will be taken as needed, but no less than twice a year throughout the performance period. The Outdoor Recreation Planner and other staff will perform site monitoring no less than once a month and record their findings. Volunteers will be utilized to conduct random monitoring of the site and report findings to the Eagle Lake Field Office staff.

Restoration Project Timeline: Fort Sage Rock/Hill Climb adjacent to Trail 1 (T.26N R.17E Section 20): Fall 2009, Physically barricade rock/hill climb using rocks, posts and cable, seed native vegetation and provide signing. Fall 2009-2012, begin monitoring. Conduct ongoing maintenance during and after the project performance period as necessary.

**E. List of Reports**

The proposed project will not involve planning for restoration.

**F. Goals, Objectives and Methodology / Peer Reviews**

Not Applicable

**G. Plan for Protection of Restored Area**

The Fort Sage illegal rock/hill climb area will be physically barricaded with large rocks, wood posts and cable fencing. The goal of the project is to restore the land to the original conditions and provide educational outreach. The rock/hill climb area will be clearly signed as closed and unavailable for OHV use and will be regularly patrolled and enforced. The Law Enforcement Officer will enforce and educate users. The Seasonal Maintenance worker, Outdoor Recreation Planner and volunteers will assist in patrol as needed and report findings. The designated route adjacent to the restoration site and an alternative route will be clearly marked. The BLM will work to provide educational outreach to the public and user groups and post educational information and maps at the Fort Sage and Widowmaker trailheads. This project will serve as an educational tool for users who frequent Fort Sage and will be used to educate users to stay on the designated routes and trails.

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**1. Project-Specific Maps**

Attachments:

[Fort Sage OHV SRMA Map- Northern CA](#)  
[Restoration Map\\_Land Of David](#)

**2. Project-Specific Photos**

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[Restoration\\_Land of David\\_before-photos](#)  
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Project Cost Estimate for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2008/2009  
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<b>APPLICANT NAME :</b>	BLM - Eagle Lake Field Office		
<b>PROJECT TITLE :</b>	Restoration	<b>PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :</b>	
<b>PROJECT TYPE :</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restoration		
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION :</b>	<p>The proposed restoration project is within the Fort Sage Off-highway Vehicle (OHV) Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA). The total SRMA is 28,494 acres; there are 90 miles of "limited to designated" OHV routes and trails. The SRMA is primarily managed for OHV use, such as ATV riding, motorcycle riding, 4wd vehicle use and OHV special events. The area is also frequently used for recreational activities such as mountain biking, horseback riding, hiking, hunting, target shooting, sightseeing, and religious ceremonies. In addition, the Fort Sage OHV Special Recreation Management Area has cultural concerns, areas of cultural significance, sensitive species and special status plants.</p> <p>This project proposes to restore land within the Fort Sage OHV SRMA where unauthorized motor vehicle use has damaged an area off limits to OHV recreation. The area has multiple illegal rock/hill climbs directly adjacent to a designated OHV route.</p> <p>Treatments will include a continuation of posts and cable barricading along the existing trail/route to protect the unauthorized rock/hill climb area. The barricade will be constructed using wood posts, cable, large rocks, planting and seeding of native vegetation and vertical mulching as needed to restore and return the area to its original surrounding condition. The current use of a barricade has been successful in the past.</p> <p>The BLM Eagle Lake Field Office staff will also provide outreach to the public and interested groups and install interpretative, regulatory and educational signing. The proposed action is in conformance with the Eagle Lake Resource Management Plan (RMP), approved in April 2008 Record of Decision (ROD). The RMP and ROD can be found at <a href="http://www.BLM.gov/ca/st/en/to/Eagle Lake.html">http://www.BLM.gov/ca/st/en/to/Eagle Lake.html</a>.</p> <p>List of Restoration Activities:                  The BLM Law Enforcement Officer (LEO), Seasonal Maintenance worker, Outdoor Recreation Planner (ORP), and Maintenance worker will enforce and monitor the restored area twice a week and record findings.</p> <p>Purchase a GPS unit (Trimble) and TerraSync software. The ORP will prepare necessary documents, supervise project staff, keep detailed records, produce maps using the purchased GPS unit, produce GPS/GIS data and records of the restoration area, provide outreach to the public, work with local stakeholders, and provide labor.</p> <p>The Maintenance worker will coordinate, plan, schedule, administer, order equipment such as signs, educate the public through regular contacts and provide labor throughout the project.</p> <p>The BLM Force Account staff will provide labor such as placement rocks and construction of physical barriers.</p> <p>The Seasonal Maintenance worker will install and maintain signs, post maps and interpretative information, provide public outreach on the ground, patrol the areas and provide labor.</p> <p>The BLM Eagle Lake Field office Archaeologist, Botanist and Biologist will plan, direct, consult, produce necessary reports and findings, evaluate, identify and provide mitigation of any resources affected by the project.</p>		

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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
<b>DIRECT EXPENSES</b>							
<b>Program Expenses</b>							
<b>1</b>	<b>Staff</b>						
	Archeologist	100.000	40.000	HRS	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
	Botanist	80.000	38.000	HRS	3,040.00	0.00	3,040.00
	Recreation Planner	400.000	35.000	HRS	7,000.00	7,000.00	14,000.00
	Other-Law Enforcement Officer Notes : patrol, educate and enforce rules and regulations	900.000	38.000	HRS	17,100.00	17,100.00	34,200.00
	Other-Maintenance Worker	320.000	28.000	HRS	7,000.00	1,960.00	8,960.00
	Other-Heavy Equipment Operators	90.000	44.000	HRS	3,960.00	0.00	3,960.00
	Other-Seasonal Maintenance Worker	80.000	24.000	HRS	1,920.00	0.00	1,920.00
	Other-Volunteers	20.000	18.000	HRS	0.00	360.00	360.00
	Other-Biologist	40.000	38.000	HRS	1,520.00	0.00	1,520.00
	<b>Total for Staff</b>				45,540.00	26,420.00	71,960.00
<b>2</b>	<b>Contracts</b>						
<b>3</b>	<b>Materials / Supplies</b>						
	Signs	6.000	103.000	EA	618.00	0.00	618.00
	Fencing Cable	25.000	50.000	FT	1,250.00	0.00	1,250.00
	Other-Wood Posts	45.000	60.000	EA	2,700.00	0.00	2,700.00
	Steel Post Notes : Steel posts will be made out recycled content and used for the posting educational sings in and around the project site.	6.000	30.000	EA	180.00	0.00	180.00

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	Other-Cable Clamps	90.000	5.000	EA	450.00	0.00	450.00
	Other-Gravel	2.000	26.000	YD	52.00	0.00	52.00
	Other-Freight for Cable	1.000	400.000	MISC	400.00	0.00	400.00
	<b>Total for Materials / Supplies</b>				5,650.00	0.00	5,650.00
<b>4</b>	<b>Equipment Use Expenses</b>						
	Other-BLM Vehicle Mileage	6600.000	0.500	MI	0.00	3,300.00	3,300.00
	Other-Service Truck	200.000	0.700	MI	140.00	0.00	140.00
	Other-Trailer	200.000	0.730	MI	146.00	0.00	146.00
	Other-Backhoe	20.000	14.180	HRS	284.00	0.00	284.00
	Other-Dump Truck	10.000	45.540	HRS	455.00	0.00	455.00
	<b>Total for Equipment Use Expenses</b>				1,025.00	3,300.00	4,325.00
<b>5</b>	<b>Equipment Purchases</b>						
	Other-GPS Unit Notes : The Trimble GPS unit will be used to create maps, GPS data, and conduct photo point monitoring on existing and illegal OHV routes.	1.000	6000.000	EA	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
<b>6</b>	<b>Others</b>						
<b>7</b>	<b>Administrative Costs</b>						
	Administrative Costs-Administrative Cost	1.000	3000.000		0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
	<b>Total Program Expenses</b>				58,215.00	32,720.00	90,935.00
	<b>TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES</b>				58,215.00	32,720.00	90,935.00
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>				<b>58,215.00</b>	<b>32,720.00</b>	<b>90,935.00</b>

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	Line Item	Grant Request	Match	Total	Narrative
<b>DIRECT EXPENSES</b>					
<b>Program Expenses</b>					
1	Staff	45,540.00	26,420.00	71,960.00	
2	Contracts	0.00	0.00	0.00	
3	Materials / Supplies	5,650.00	0.00	5,650.00	
4	Equipment Use Expenses	1,025.00	3,300.00	4,325.00	
5	Equipment Purchases	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	
6	Others	0.00	0.00	0.00	
7	Administrative Costs	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>		58,215.00	32,720.00	90,935.00	
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**ITEM 1 and ITEM 2**

**ITEM 1**

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
(Please select Yes or No)

**ITEM 2**

- b. ITEM 2 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☒ Yes ☐ No  
(Please select Yes or No)
- c. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. ☐ Yes ☒ No  
(Please select Yes or No)
- d. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 3 – 9

**ITEM 3 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands**

No wetlands or navigable waters exist within the project area. No negative impact to wetlands, navigable waters, and sensitive habitats and species would occur (Including threatened and/or endangered species). Projects would be designed to ensure no additional opportunity for sediment transport in to streams, springs and shallow pond locations. Additionally, sensitive habitats and species would benefit from the Project by restoring habitat and removing habitat fragmentation.

**ITEM 4 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project**

The Eagle Lake Field Office (ELFO) Resource Management Plan (RMP) and approved 2007 Record of Decision (ROD) states in Goal 2.16.2 (page 2-90) Desired Future Condition: designates a network of travel routes to provide for motorized access for public recreation and BLM administration throughout the management area. The three designations are "Open", "Limited to Designated Use" and "closed". The designated route network would be based primarily on the ELFO route inventory. Routes would be maintained, modified, created, or obliterated in order to meet land health standards, water quality standards, wildlife habitat needs, and changing public needs and desires. The project is to be completed within an area managed for "Limited to Designated" OHV use. The project will restore the land to its existing condition where illegal OHV use is occurring adjacent to a designated route.

This project will cumulatively improve cultural resources, vegetative and wildlife habitat, and visual resources. Additionally, annual maintenance and user education throughout this and other similar projects will keep motorized access opportunities available and protect adjacent resources for public appreciation and use.

It is uncertain what projects would be identified as reasonably foreseeable future actions, past and present restoration/management practices would be targeted annually for implementation. Over the next ten years, similar future projects would expand the protection of culturally significant areas and keep the Fort Sage OHV SRMA area open and legal to OHV use. Several positive future effects from multiple and small incremental project accomplishments will occur. This overall improvement would have benefits to wildlife populations, soils, and culturally significant areas. Vegetation would recover better with a corresponding decline in weed infestation. Soil compaction and erosion could lessen while fugitive dust emissions and sediment deposition in water may also decrease.

**ITEM 5 - Soil Impacts**

This possibility of such an impact does not exist. The project seeks to lessen impacts by closing steep hill climbs or routes to vehicles (and, where necessary for recovery, foot traffic) where erodible soils exist. The project will utilize a barricade against an existing designated road as well as use vertical mulching and seeding. Motorized equipment will remain on designated routes and trails and areas where soil has been highly impacted. The current illegal OHV impacts to soil resources are a direct result of vegetation removal and alteration. Loss of plant cover increases the effects of the desert environment on soils. Soil impacts are exacerbated when OHV routes occur on steep topography, especially in desert plant communities. The project will restore soil impacts created by illegal OHV use through the rock and post barricades, seeding and vertical mulching. This project will ensure the protection of soils by physically barricading the area from future OHV use.

#### **ITEM 6 - Damage to Scenic Resources**

The project will have a positive effect on scenic values. All projects would be implemented to conform to prescribed visual resource management (VRM) classes as discussed in the Eagle Lake Field Office Resource Management Plan. Restoration sites currently have a high visual contrast with the surrounding vegetation in the view shed. This draws the observer's attention to the surface disturbance, thus compromising VRM class objectives. The project seeks to improve visual resources by bringing back natural vegetation patterns.

#### **ITEM 7 - Hazardous Materials**

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

#### **ITEM 8 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources**

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the potential impacts and for any substantially adverse changes in the significance of historical or cultural resources and measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the impacts.

#### **ITEM 9 - Indirect Significant Impacts**

The possibility that users may go elsewhere is present. To help prevent off-site impacts rangers will patrol the surrounding areas as well as the project area looking for new routes and educating the public through the use of citations, handouts and brochures. Education will be utilized to help keep users on the "Limited to Designated" OHV routes and trails.

#### **CEQA/NEPA Attachment**

Attachments:

[Categorical Exclusion](#)  
[Categorical Exclusion\\_signed page](#)  
[Categorical Exclusion\\_Decision Record\\_signed](#)  
[Fort Sage Restoration Project Area Map](#)

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**1. Project Cost Estimate - Q 1. (Auto populates from Cost Estimate)**

1. As calculated on the Project Cost Estimate, the percentage of the Project costs covered by the Applicant is: 3

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 76% or more (10 points)  
☐ 51% - 75% (5 points)  
☒ 26% - 50% (3 points)  
☐ 25% (Match minimum) (No points)

**2. Natural and Cultural Resources - Q 2.**

2. Natural and Cultural Resources - Failure to fund the Project will result in adverse impacts to: 5

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☐ Domestic water supply (4 points)  
☐ Archeological and historical resources identified in the California Register of Historical Resources or the Federal Register of Historic Places (3 points )  
☐ Stream or other watercourse (3 points)  
☒ Soils - Site actively eroding (2 points)  
☐ Sensitive areas (e.g., wilderness, riparian, wetlands, ACEC) (2 point each, up to a maximum of 6) Enter number of sensitive habitats  
☐ Threatened and Endangered (T&E) listed species (2 point each, up to a maximum of 6) Enter number of T&E species  
☒ Other special-status species- Number of special-status species (1 point each, up to a maximum of 3) Enter number of special-status species [3]

Describe the type and severity of impacts that might occur relative to the checked item(s):

The Fort Sage OHV SRMA has known cultural sites. The project area is considered to have cultural significance. The need for restoration of the proposed project was discussed with the BLM Archeologist during Tribal Consultation meetings. Without this restoration project, these areas of cultural concern will continue to be damaged. With proper education, OHV users will have less potential to damage cultural sites, areas of cultural significance, plants or wildlife habitat in the future. There is a potential for Special Status Species to be within the project area and therefore could result in adverse effects to the following Special Status Species, the Loggerhead Shrike, Prairie falcon, and Northern Harrier, These three species were never mapped only the survey locations. In addition, there is potential for soil erosion during the winter months. This restoration project will help to create a balance between the user groups and continue to keep the Fort Sage OHV SRMA open and available for future OHV use.

**3. Reason for Project - Q 3.**

3. Reason for the Project 4

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ Protect special-status species or cultural site (4 points)  
☒ Restore natural resource system damaged by OHV activity (4 points)  
☐ OHV activity in a closed area (3 points)  
☐ Alternative measures attempted, but failed (2 points)  
☐ Management decision (1 point)  
☐ Scientific and cultural studies (1 point)  
☐ Planning efforts associated with Restoration (1 point)

Reference Document

The Eagle Lake Field Office Recreation Management Plan (RMP) and April 2008 Record of Decision (ROD) designates the Fort Sage OHV SRMA as an area open to OHV use on designated routes and trails. The project site has illegal riding and is adjacent to a designated trail. The project is also within an area of cultural significance.

**4. Measures to Ensure Success - Q 4.**

4. Measures to ensure success –The Project makes use of the following elements to ensure successful implementation 12

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 2 points each (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Site monitoring to prevent additional damage
- ☒ Construction of barriers and other traffic control devices
- ☒ Use of native plants and materials
- ☒ Incorporation of universally recognized 'Best Management Practices'
- ☒ Educational signage
- ☒ Identification of alternate OHV routes to ensure that OHV activities will not reoccur in restored area

Explain each item checked above:

The project will restore an area damaged by unauthorized motor vehicle use, which currently has multiple illegal rock and hill climbs and is within a culturally significant area. The following elements will be used to ensure success:

Utilize "Best Management Practices"

Barricade unauthorized rock/hill climbs with large rocks (use existing resources)

Construct a barricade using wood posts and cable along a existing route

Plant and seed native vegetation

Vertical mulching techniques as needed

Provide a significant amount of outreach to the public and interested groups

Install interpretative, regulatory, directional and educational signs, including maps of designated routs monitor the site before, after and during the project performance period (Outdoor Recreation Planner, Maintenance Worker, Seasonal Maintenance worker, Law Enforcement Officer and volunteers

Patrol and enforce restoration site

**5. Publicly Reviewed Plan - Q 5.**

5. Is there a publicly reviewed and adopted plan (e.g., wilderness designation, land management plans, route designation decisions) that supports the need for the Restoration Project? 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ No (No points) ☒ Yes (5 points)

Identify plan

Eagle Lake Management Plan (RMP) specified in the Travel Management Plan available to view online at:  
[www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/eaglelake.html](http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/eaglelake.html)

**6. Primary Funding Source - Q 6.**

6. Primary funding source for future operational costs associated with the Project will be: 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ Applicant's operational budget (5 points)
- ☐ Volunteer support and/or donations (3 points)
- ☐ Other Grant funding (2 points)
- ☐ OHV Trust Funds (No points)

If 'Operational budget' is checked, list reference document(s):

Financial Business Management System (FBMS) Bureau of Land Management budget tracking system

**7. Public Input - Q 7.**

7. The Project was developed with public input employing the following 2

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 1 point each, up to a maximum of 2 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☐ Meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project (1 point)  
☒ Conference call(s) with interested parties (1 point)  
☒ Meeting(s) with stakeholders (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

The Bureau of Land Management Eagle Lake Field office meets with the Lassen Motorcycle Club on a monthly basis and periodically conducts conference calls with club members. Grant applications were discussed during the last meeting held in January 2009. In addition, the BLM Archeologist and Outdoor Recreation Planner conduct Tribal Consultation meetings on a regular basis. The grant projects were discussed during the December 2008 and January 2009 meetings. In addition, the high need for restoration near Culturally significant areas and sites as well as education and outreach on keeping users on the designated routes and trails was discussed during these meetings.

**8. Utilization of Partnerships - Q 8.**

8. The Project will utilize partnerships to successfully accomplish the Project. The number of partner organizations that will participate in the Project are 2

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 4 or more (4 points) ☒ 2 to 3 (2 points)  
☐ 1 (1 point) ☐ None (No points)

List partner organization(s):

Lassen Motorcycle Club (LMC), nonprofit group  
Lassen County Sheriff's Department

The LMC will actively provide educational outreach to their club members and members of the MRNN group and to the general public, as well as report findings on the restoration sites to the BLM staff and LEO as needed.

The BLM Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) and Lassen County Sheriff's Department work together to actively enforce the BLM rules and regulations within the Fort Sage OHV SRMA.

**9. Scientific and Cultural Studies - Q 9.**

9. Scientific and cultural studies will

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☐ Determine appropriate Restoration techniques (2 points)  
☐ Examine potential effects of OHV Recreation on natural or cultural resources (2 points)  
☐ Examine methods to ensure success of Restoration efforts (1 point)  
☐ Lead to direct management action (1 point)

Explain each item checked above

**10. Underlying Problem - Q 10.**

10. The underlying problem that resulted in the need for the Restoration Project has been effectively

addressed and resolved 3

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☐ No (No points)

☒ Yes (3 points)

Explain 'Yes' answer

OHV users are currently moving off of the designated trails due to lack of education, signing and law enforcement presence. With this grant funding, the BLM Eagle Lake Field Office staff will actively patrol, enforce, educate and sign the restored areas. The area will be physically barricaded, and signed so that OHV users cannot move off of the designated trail.

**11. Size of sensitive habitats - Q 11.**

11. Size of sensitive habitats (e.g., wilderness, riparian, wetlands, ACEC) within the Project Area which will be restored 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☐ Greater than 10 acres (5 points)

☐ 1 – 10 acres (3 points)

☐ Less than 1 acre (1 points)

☒ No sensitive habitat within Project Area (No points)